GOVERNOR IN ADDRESS GIVES ROAD ATTITUDE

Message to Special Session of General Assembly Explains Reluctancy—Urges Passage of Anti-Trust Legislation to Protect People.

Gentlemen of the General Assembly: You have assembled self-convened in eccordance with the proclamation isbuilding of highways, and the rendering available of the allotment of Fedroad building in Virginia, for which you have requested this ecting of the General Assembly.

plied with an insistent demand for the cial session. It was widely contended unless provision was made to Federal road aid at once that it would lost to the State, because, as prebe appropriated and "exsended" by June 30, 1920. It was furher contended that the proposed in-

retroactive act' could not be enacted increasing the cost of licenses taken at the 1919 rate. It was asserted that a million and a half dollars would be lost in machinery allotted to the field of funds with which to pay the freight thereon.

The assurance by the Secretary of Asriculture and his legal advisor that the word "expended" in the Federal the word "expended" in the Federal aid. The knowledge that the automobile tax fixed by the State is a license and not a contract, and that the Legislature of 1920 could increase the automobile tax 50 per cent, and that the revenue derived thereform would be available for road purposes the same year; the flusions of the suance of road bonds might be expedited by a special session; the fecing that a road law which contemplates the expenditure of a vast sum of money should be considered by a Legislature elected upon that issue where the people bave had fell opportunity for the discussion of the subject, and the thought that gentlemen were probably attained and the subject, and the thought that gentlemen were probably as many one of good roads and that they should the subject and the hought that when in your judgment, you provided only a tax of 3 cents for roads; and the subject, and the thought that gentlemen were probably as the subject and the hought that gentlemen were probably as such as the contemplates and the small additional impost necessary in 1920 to assure Federal ald, all confirmed my conviction that no such carries and the small additional impost necessary in 1920 to assure Federal ald, all confirmed my conviction that no such carries of the subject, and the hought that a cur people might be more fully impressed with the benefits that come of good roads and that they should the more clearly understand with what a relatively small contribution from their wealth a great highway system may be some one appeal to their partition received the same as 1918.

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All of Same Mind.

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Automobile Tax Taken Up.

In providing for new sources of revenue to meet Federal aid, it is assumed that the present State road wax will be repealed, or the present special road tax increased to equal a total of 10 cents to cover the new needs. The total to be raised by the State is indicated by the above sums increased in each case by \$100,000 to care for the annual cost of administration. The most available source of revenue

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Year	No.	of maci	ines	Amount
1910				\$ 20,669
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		21,000		
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(By Associated Press.)

WASHINGTON, August 13.—Publication in Germany of the alien property custodian's region the dealing with the seizure of enemy property in this country has evoked a storm of press criticism which, the American mission in an official cablegram, made public to-the debt, and to provide a special tax for pensions as authorized by section 150

and Efficiency believes that the power of appointment, control and removal of all administrative officers should be vested, as far as possible, in the Governor. Better government and greater efficiency in the public service will be assured by limiting the number of elective administrative officials and placing the fullest executive and administrative powers with the Governor, and vesting all legislative functions and the power to make appropriations in the popularly elected General Assembly."

Payors Highway Department Efficiency believes that the powe

The people of Virginia want roads—they want a dollar's worth of good roads, too, for every dollar spent. Our people have waited long years for better roads, and now when at last we have an opportunity to secure them we must not jeopardize the enterprise by following the seductive fakements of

New Bills in Senate

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High Spots in Speech of Governor Davis

Bellef that the people should be educated to the benefits to be derived from good roads before entering upon the legislative program was another deterrent in the mind of the Governor.

Farmers have increased their acreages pairiotically, and hardship would be inflicted upon them by competing for labor needed by them.

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Visiting Merchants Their Families and Friends

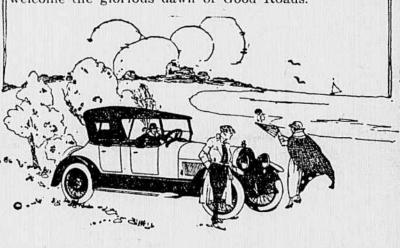
Are extended, on behalf of the city of Richmond, the most cordial welcome this store is able to offer and if it is within our province to add to the pleasure of your visit please feel free to command us in any way.

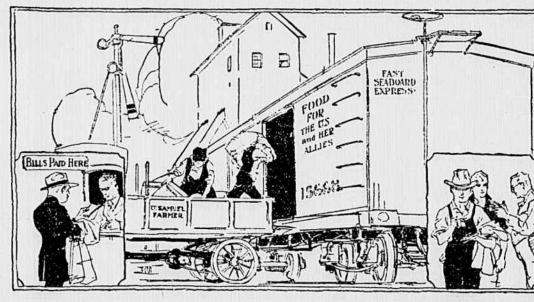
Progress Follows

The Ever-Expanding Path of

Good Roads

To define the importance of Good Roads we are compelled to reckon with every element that concerns a higher standard of living and a broader interpretation of enlightened progress and education. Good Roads, as welcome arms, invite the stranger to pause within our midst, to purchase in centers wherein he had never raded before, and to give proper thought to other natural advantages when the matter of finding site for a new industry begs for consideration. Good Roads add to the valuation of farm lands and connect the consumers with the producers of farm products and by minimizing the cost of and time required to transport such produce the purchaser's price thereof is greatly essened. For a thousand-and-one good reasons we welcome the glorious dawn of Good Roads.





Stagnant Credit

There's always a summer shortage of money in the United States -this year especially.

The farmer has more harvest hands than ever to pay this year -he needs MORE cash. The farmer pays these men bigger wages than ever. THEY need cash, for it costs THEM more than ever to live, just as it does

Besides, a big part of all our crops must go overseas now. It takes more cash to move crops this year-MUCH MORE.

And you must furnish your share!

"What, ME! I don't owe a dollar to any farmer"-you're probably saying.

Oh, yes, you do.

Some of the money you pay to Richmond's department stores, grocery stores, markets, etc., finds its way to some farmer. It must. There's only just so much cash in the country, so we use our credit instead.

If we don't pay our bills promptly on or before the 10th of every month, this money-machine gets all gummed-up and credit is stagnant.

Business in the United States, right here at home in Richmond, needs the support of every man and woman who earns money to give it strength until our bully harvest is gathered and money flows freely again.

Keep the credit of Richmond the best in the United States. Pay your July bills promptly.

